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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Continuation of Serial No.: 09/752,338
Applicant: Shoneburg et al.
Filed: December 29, 2000
For: Method and Apparatus For Natural Language Dialog Interface
Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Art Unit: 2644

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Washington, D.C. 20231

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUATION APPLICATION
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)**

1. This is a request for filing a:

- ☒ continuation application
☐ divisional application
☐ continuation-in-part

under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of nonprovisional patent application U.S. Serial No. 09/752,338 filed on December 29, 2000, entitled:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR NATURAL LANGUAGE DIALOG INTERFACE

2. ☒ Specification (29 pages); Claims (1 pages); Abstract (0 page)
3. ☒ Drawings - Number of Sheets 12 (Figs 1-17)
☐ Formal
☒ Informal
4. ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney
☒ Copy from prior application (4 pages)
5. ☐ Assignment and Recordation Cover Sheet Form PTO 1595
☐ Copy from prior application (___ pages)

6. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ☐ IDS and PTO-1449 (4 pages)
- ☐ Copies of references cited
- ☐ Copies of Supplemental IDS and PTO 1449s (___ x ___ pages)
7. ☒ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
- This application is a continuation application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of U.S. Serial No. 09/752,338 filed on December 29, 2000, incorporated herein by reference.

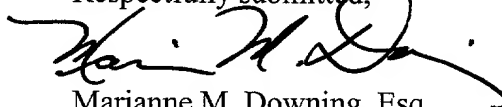
8. Fee Calculation

CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. 1.16(a) \$710.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	1	- 20 =	0	\$ 18.00	0.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	0	- 3 =	0	\$ 80.00	0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. 1.16(d))				\$270.00	0
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity:					\$355.00
TOTAL FEE					\$355.00

9. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
10. ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.

11. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 18343-035.
- ☐ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16.
☒ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17.
☒ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.18.
11. ☐ Request and Certification under 37 C.F.R. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
12. ☒ A Petition for a Four Month Extension of Time and Submission of the Processing and Retention Fee Under 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(1)(iv) for U.S.S.N. 09/752,338 is being filed simultaneously.

Respectfully submitted,



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